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S.B. No. 446

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the acceptance or expenditure of federal funds by a political subdivision.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 140, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 140.012 to read as follows:

Sec. 140.012. ACCEPTANCE AND EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL FUNDS.

(a) Before a political subdivision may accept or expend a federal grant or other federal funds that have not been appropriated by the legislature, the political subdivision shall report to the comptroller:

(1) the total amount of federal funds to be received or expended; and

(2) the proposed use of the federal funds.

(b) The comptroller:

(1) may develop and maintain an online reporting system for the submission of information required to be reported under Subsection (a); and

(2) shall make available to the public, on the comptroller's Internet website, a searchable database of information reported under Subsection (a).

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

2 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.